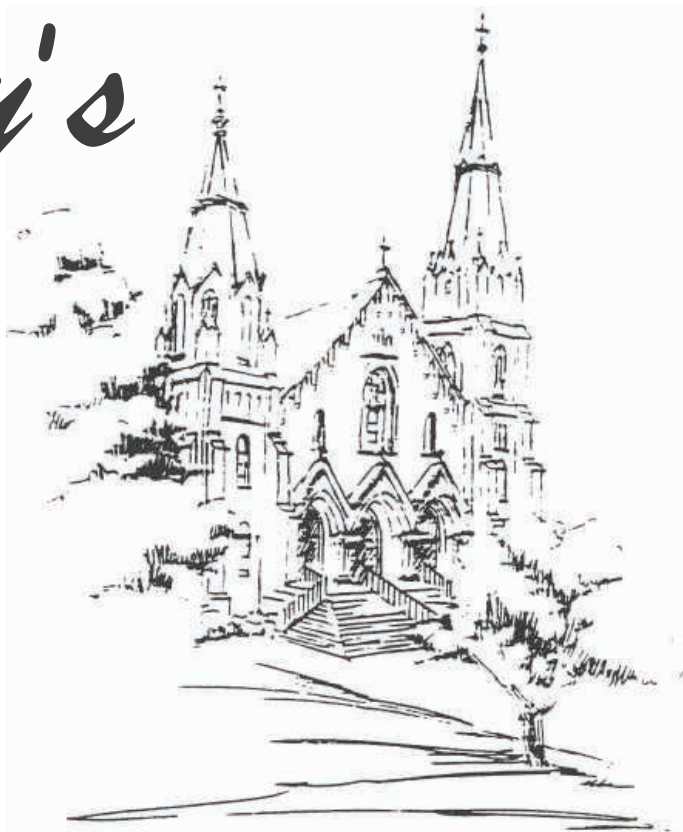


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Eucharistic Liturgies

Weekend Mass Saturday Vigil 5:15 PM
 Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Weekday Mass Wednesday – Friday 7:00 AM
 Saturday 8:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 – 4:45 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

We joyfully welcome all into our Church family through this sacrament. Parents are asked to please call the rectory 853-2935 to make arrangements. Baptismal preparation meetings are held with the Baptismal Team the first Sunday of the month at 9 AM at St. Mary's School.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married are asked to schedule an appointment with Fr. Croghan at least 6 months before the desired date. Wedding dates cannot be scheduled over the phone. One of the parties being married and/or their parents must be registered members of St. Mary's (Pre-marriage instruction is required).

Prayer Line

If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, please call Margaret – 853-5280, or Pat – 853-5229.

New Parishioners

Welcome! Please introduce yourself after Mass. We invite you to become an active member of our parish community. Please call the parish office to register.

Bulletin Deadline

All announcements for the bulletin should be in writing and submitted to the parish office by Monday noon.



Saturday, June 23 - Vigil Mass

5:15 PM Patricia Haight by Steve Vangura

**Sunday, June 24 - The Nativity of
Saint John the Baptist**

8:00 AM Dorothy Ronning Hinde by Her Family

10:30 AM Linda Marsh by Carla & Don Barrett

Wednesday, June 27 - Saint Cyril of Alexandria

7:00 AM Jane Ellen Hogan by Susan Hogan

Thursday, June 28 - Saint Irenaeus

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

Friday, June 29 - Saints Peter and Paul

7:00 AM Jeremiah O. McCarthy (B'day)
by The McHarris Family

Saturday, June 30

8:00 AM Leo Crane by Edward & Nancy Crane

5:15 PM - Vigil Mass - Anthony Calidonna
by His Family

Sunday, July 1 - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Family

10:30 AM Keith Knight by His Family

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, HOSPITALIZED,
SICK & SHUT-INS OF OUR PARISH**

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 6-30

Sally Glouse & Sue King

Good News!

June 24, 2012

NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Is 49:1-6 / Acts 13:22-26 / Lk 1:57-66, 80

Expectant parents the world over have one task in common—naming their newborns. Some mothers-to-be have kept a list of favorite baby names since adolescence; other parents can't imagine naming their child until they lay eyes on their little one after birth. Some survey friends and family—my four-year-old nephew Alexander proclaimed that if his cousin-to-be was a girl, she should obviously be named Pizzahead. We thanked him and noted we'd take his suggestion under, uh, consideration.

People often have much to say, sometimes quite vehemently, about the choice of a baby's name. It was no different for John the Baptist's mother. When Elizabeth announced that his name would be John (the name given him by the angel Gabriel), neighbors protested that this wasn't a family name, and it couldn't possibly be appropriate. But his father, Zechariah, confirmed this heavenly chosen name. Word spread quickly of something quite special, even divine, about this child. Everyone wondered what this child would become.

With the benefit of history, we know indeed what John became—the herald of Jesus' coming. Particularly special about John was his willingness to embrace his calling while recognizing that his mission was not about himself. Rather, it was to direct others toward Jesus. He confidently claimed his vocation, but he was humble enough to know his life wasn't about himself.

Whether our name is John, Mary, or even Pizzahead, God has a calling for each of us—but it isn't about promoting ourselves or our needs. It's ultimately for the service of the Lord.

Are we strong enough to claim our calling—and humble enough to serve?

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Liturgical Ministers

Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
8:00 AM (6/30)	NO SERVERS		
5:15 PM (6/30)	Nathan Gale, Ricky Heintz & Jesse Dombrowski	Karen Brewer	Host - Barb Bohrer & Anne Debraggio Cup - Sue King, Bob McQueen, Jim Winkler & Annette Foley
8:00 AM (7/1)	Georgia Zoller, Meradith Thayer & Garrett Frank	Anna Berney	Host - Fran & Gwen Lallier Cup - Evelyn Micciche, Ann Kearney, Carol Byrne & Kate Chute
10:30 AM (7/1)	Samantha Gaffney, Gianna Spina & Madison Steates	Mike Cosgrove	Host - Ani Sojda & Peggy Schweitzer Cup - Anita Fitzgerald, Michele Beach, Don & Jane Conniff

Faith Formation

This weekend we celebrate the gift of our seniors who are graduating from High school.

Seniors, as you move on to the next phase of your life where you will be experiencing more independence and freedom, try to remind yourself every now and then that you are indeed a gift of God. Use your talents and abilities to their full extent in thanks and praise for the gift that you are!



TGIF (Teens Gathered in Faith) Youth Group

Plans are underway for a summer camping outing. An informational meeting will be held this Tuesday, June 26, at 7 PM at the school for all those interested in attending and their parents. Please contact Mike/Lisa Jeffery or Mary Lou Lauchert if additional information is desired.

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Your children, grades K-5, are invited to join in Liturgy of the Word for Children this Sunday, at the 10:30 AM Mass. This is the last session for the school year.

The Country Pantry

Thank you to everyone who supported the Hearts and Hands Bake Sale last Sunday which benefited the Country Pantry. The money raised will be used towards buying back-to-school supplies. Your continued support is greatly appreciated by the families we serve.

We also thank you for all the Kid's Paks that have been filled and returned. Tuesday, June 26, is our first distribution of Kid's Pak for the summer. The Paks will also be given out at our July and August food distribution. We need your ongoing support in our effort to help parents feed those hungry kids during summer vacation. Hunger never takes a vacation!

Thank You, Thank You

St. Mary's Hearts and Hands wants to thank all the wonderful bakers along with the parish community who came and purchased baked goods last weekend on behalf of the Country Pantry. Due to everyone's generosity, we made \$652.50 for Back-to-School supplies. We also want to thank Stewart's for donating all the ice cream for the Ice Cream Social. Thank you all for coming to the school gym and supporting the Country Pantry and having an ice cream sundae.

A Family Perspective

John the Baptist prepared the way of the Lord. Parents prepare the way for a child by teaching him or her how to play a sport or learn a skill, how to make a fort or a friend, bounce back from adversity or accept an honor with gratitude, how to enjoy a hobby and how to pray.

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection	\$5,814.50
Faith Formation.....	87.00
School Assessment	11.00
Country Pantry	25.00
Memorial Fund.....	525.00
Diocesan Collections.....	25.00

Second Collection This Weekend

The annual Peter's Pence collection will be taken up at Masses this weekend. Help our Pope give aid to Dioceses and religious communities in need around the world. Thank you!

HOPE Appeal

Many thanks to parishioners who have made a pledge to the annual HOPE Appeal. So far we have received \$23,560 in pledges towards our assessed goal of \$31,181 - only \$7,621 to go!

Completed pledges may be placed in the collection basket mailed or dropped off at the parish office. Thanks to all of you who are returning your pledge cards this weekend. Extra envelopes are available next to the bulletins. You can also make a secure online gift or pledge at www.syrddio.org.

Croghan Stuff

Parish Council - A big "thank you" goes out to Anna Berney, Francis Lallier, Lewis Lallier, Evelyn Micciche and Jim Winkler for submitting their names for the two Parish Council openings. Anna Berney and Lewis Lallier's names were selected to be the new members of the Council.

Bequests - Last week we received not one, but two donations to the parish from the estates of recently deceased parishioners. Please keep Kathleen Phillips and Anthony D'Agostino in your prayers. Their generosity will help us to make some much needed repairs to the church building as we prepare to celebrate the one-hundredth anniversary of its dedication..



St. Mary's Annual Summer, Kirkland

Community Red Cross Bloodmobile

The Bloodmobile will be held Thursday, July 14, 1:30-6:30 PM at the Schillings Burns Young VFW Post 9591 on Franklin Ave., Clinton.

New and Past Blood Donors needed (ongoing need for type 0, A- & B- blood). Sign up by calling Cathy Axel at 853-6878 (or Rudge44@aol.com) to schedule your appointment. Walk-ins are essential to meet increased goal due to summer shortages. Thank you!

Area Events

- 6/27, 5-8 PM - Burger & Dog Night at the American Legion Post 232 (All Wednesdays thru 9/5)
- 7/8, 11:30 - Sold Out - St. Thomas Men's Club Chicken BBQ, at the church.

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